

Seneca Valley School District



SCHOOL BOARD ACTION SESSION

Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Auditorium - 7 p.m.

Public Agenda

June 10, 2024

**** Subject to Change****

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mr. Eric DiTullio, President
 - A. **Moment of Silence**
 - B. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 - C. **Roll Call**
2. **INFORMATION REPORTS**
 - A. **Student/Staff Recognition**
 1. Mr. LaVarr Stephens-Howling, Ryan Gloyer Middle School (RGMS) Acting Assistant Principal and student council advisor, was recently awarded the Region A Middle School Advisor of the year from the Pennsylvania Association of Student Councils (PASC). As PASC Region A Middle School Advisor of the year, he was chosen from representatives in a 10-county area: Beaver, Butler, Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Lawrence, Mercer, Venango and Warren. Mr. Stephens-Howling is now in the running for the PASC State-Level Advisor of the Year.
 2. The Seneca Valley Academic Decathlon recently placed seventh in the nation and earned four individual national medals at the United States Academic Decathlon (USAD) National Competition. Seneca Valley represented Pennsylvania in the competition as the current state champions and was led by Mr. David Reichard, Seneca Valley Senior High School teacher and Academic Decathlon coach.
 3. We congratulate two Seneca Valley JROTC cadets, recent graduate Logan Randall and rising senior Wesley Marks, for qualifying to compete in the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) Three-Position Air Rifle (3PAR) National Championship taking place June 21-22, in Port Clinton, Ohio.
 4. Congratulations to Ronny Royhab, a 2024 Seneca Valley graduate, who was recently named the 2024 Butler County Area Vocational Technical School (BCAVTS) Student of the Year. Mr. Royhab, who attended the culinary arts

program at BCAVTS for the past three years, was chosen for his leadership, trust worthiness and responsibility in creating a positive school environment while being respectful to both peers and teachers. He is a SkillsUSA District 10 Gold Medalist for his excellent culinary efforts and currently works a custom cake and cookie business.

B. Dates to Remember

June 10-August 1	SVAOC Cyber Session and Summer Camps
June 14	Release of K-6 Student Reports of Progress and 7-12 Report Cards
June 14	Flag Day
June 16	Father's Day
June 19	Juneteenth
June 20	Summer Begins
June 21	Seneca Valley's Kennywood Day
July 4	Independence Day
July 9	Athletics & Activities Summer Drug & Concussion Testing – SHS, 3-7 p.m.
July 10	Athletics & Activities Summer Drug & Concussion Testing – SHS, 8 a.m. – noon, 1-3 p.m.
July 30	Athletics & Activities Summer Drug & Concussion Testing – SHS, 3-7 p.m.
July 31	Athletics & Activities Summer Drug & Concussion Testing – SHS, 8 a.m. – noon, 1-3 p.m.
July 31	Deadline for Alternative Bus Stop Requests
July 31	Transportation Request Form deadline for non-public student transportation
August 1	Seneca Valley Foundation Gift of Hope Golf Classic
August 1	Due Date for all Fall Sport Athletic Paperwork
August 5	School Board Work Session
August 12	School Board Regular Session
August 14	New Teacher Induction
August 15	New Teacher Induction
August 16	All-Staff Welcome Back Event
August 22	First Day of School for the 2024-2025 School Year

Summer Programs – Funded by ESSER (Elementary Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund)

June 10-14	Summer Program, Grades 10-11 at SHS, 9 a.m. – noon
July 15-18 and July 22-25	Summer Program, Grades 6-7 at RGMS, 9 a.m. – noon
July 15-18 and July 22-25	Summer Program, Grade 8 at IHS, 9 a.m. - noon

English as a Second Language (ESL) Elementary Program

July 15-18 and July 22-25	ESL Around the World Summer Camp, Grades K-5 at Haine Elementary, 9 a.m. - noon
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English as a Second Language (ESL) Secondary Program

July 22-25

ESL Pathfinder Workshop, Grades 6-12 at RGMS, IHS and SHS,
9 a.m. - noon

C. **All-Star Award, Winner, June 2024** – Terry Seilhamer, Chief of Police, Jackson Township Police Department.

D. **Financial Reports**

1. Operations
2. Senior High Activities
3. Intermediate High Activities
4. Middle School Activities
5. Athletics
6. Food Service
7. Tax Collections
8. Capital Projects Funds

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. **Work Session** – May 6, 2024
- B. **Action Meeting** – May 13, 2024

5. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

6. **GENERAL FUND BILLS**
Grand Total: \$4,038,975.81

7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS**
Grand Total: \$235,103.16

8. **ADMINISTRATION**

A. **Board Policies** -

1. Approve board policy 332 – Working Periods – revised, first reading.
 2. Approve board policy 212.1 – Academic Integrity – new, first reading. Pending solicitor review and approval.
 3. Approve board policy 218 student Discipline – revised, first reading. Pending solicitor review and approval.
 4. Approve board policy 815 – Responsible Use of Internet and AI – revised, first reading. Pending solicitor review and approval.
 5. Approve board policy 815.1 – Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence in Education – new, first reading. Pending solicitor review and approval.
 6. Approve board policy 340 - Employees – Responsibility for Student Welfare – revised, first reading.
- Policies to be retired:
7. Policy 440 - Professional Employees – Responsibility for Student Welfare – retire, first reading.

- B. **PSBA Voting Delegate** – Appoint Ms. Kari Zimmer as the voting delegate for the PSBA Delegate Assembly meeting on Saturday, November 2, 2024.

9. **INSTRUCTION**

- A. **Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) Services Agreement** – Approve the AIU services agreement for special education services for the 2024-2025 school year.
- B. **Conferences** – Approve conference requests.
- C. **Club Hope** – Approve the establishment of the Club Hope at no cost to the District and under the supervision of volunteer sponsor Ms. Courtney Williams effective for the 2024-2025 school year.
- D. **Community Clean-Up Club** – Approve the establishment of the Community Clean-Up Club at no cost to the District and under the supervision of volunteer sponsor Ms. Madelyn Cornman effective for the 2024-2025 school year.
- E. **2024 Graduates** – Approve the list of Seneca Valley graduates for 2024.
- F. **Pittsburgh Ballet House** – Approve the SV Academy of Choice Instructional Services Agreement with Pittsburgh Ballet House for 2024-2025.
- G. **Glade Run Lutheran Services Mental Wellness Services Agreement** – Approve the agreement with Glade Run Lutheran Services to provide mental wellness services with 8 therapists for the 2024-2025 school year.
- H. **Grant Disbursements** – Grant permission to apply for and disburse, if approved:
 - 1. The Public-School Facility Improvement Grant through the PA Department of Community and Economic Development in the amount of \$905,106.97 to fund the roof replacement project of Connoquenessing Valley Elementary School. This grant requires a 25% match from the District and approval of the resolution.
 - 2. McDonald’s MAC Grant in the amount of \$500 requested by Ms. Stacey Harding. Funding will be used to support a cross curricular project involving Language Arts, Social Studies, and Mathematics in Ms. Stacey Harding’s class.
 - 3. FRESH into Freshman Year Grant in the amount of \$4,000 requested by Mr. Chet Henderson and Ms. Quincy Gildea. Funds will be used to support the FRESH into Freshman Year transition program.
 - 4. The Haine Middle School Garden and Beyond Grant in the amount of \$18,862.60 requested by Ms. Annie Mersing and Ms. Erin Wilcher. Funds will be used for supplies to create a school garden which will include aquaponics and embryology components.
- I. **Student Trip** – Approve the secondary band trip to Norfolk, Virginia from April 25-28, 2025, under the supervision of Mr. Varden Armstrong, Mr. Robert Babick and Ms. Sara Snyder. Students will miss two days of instruction. This will be at no cost to the district.

- J. **Renaissance Learning, Inc. Agreement** - Approve agreement with Renaissance Learning, Inc. to utilize the STAR assessment tool as the universal screening measure for students in grades 3 through 8. This includes the licensing fee for the STAR assessment tool, training, and ongoing support. Pending solicitor review and approval.
- K. **School Reconfigurations (Pennsylvania Department of Education)** - Approve the reconfiguration plans for Connoquenessing Valley Elementary School, Ehrman Crest Elementary School, Haine Elementary School, and Rowan Elementary School to include extended day kindergarten programs.

10. **BUSINESS/FINANCE**

- A. **Stepping Stones Agreement** – Approve the one-year renewal agreement with Stepping Stones, Inc to provide extended- day services in each elementary school for the 2024-25 school year.
- B. **Budget Transfers** – Approve budget transfers.
- C. **Homestead and Farmstead Resolution** – Approve the 2024-2025 Homestead and Farmstead Exclusion Resolution per Act 1 – Taxpayer Relief Act.
- D. **Act 511 Taxes** – Approve re-enactment of the following Act 511 Taxes:
 - 1. Flat Rate Occupation Tax - \$10
 - 2. Earned Income Tax – 1%
 - 3. Real Estate Tax – 1%
- E. **Summer Actions** – Authorize the administration to approve:
 - 1. Year-end budget transfers
 - 2. Outreach Partnership of Technology (OPT) agreements
 - 3. June and July bills
- F. **Liability Insurance** – Approve the sanction of the following groups to work on behalf of the Seneca Valley School District and intention to provide the District’s liability insurance cover these groups for the 2024-2025 school year: PTA, PTO, SV Boys’ Lacrosse, SV Indoor Track and Field, SV Ice Hockey, SV Inline Hockey, SV Slow Pitch Softball, SV Bowling, SV Competitive Cheer, SV Fencing, SV Ultimate Frisbee, SV Unified Bocce, JROTC, After Prom Committee, Booster groups, Seneca Valley Foundation and all Board approved student clubs. – Ms. Lewis
- G. **Insurance Premiums** – Approve insurance premiums for the 2024-2025 fiscal year as provided by First National Insurance Agency.
- H. **Capital Reserve Transfer** – Authorize the transfer of \$660,000 from the general fund to the capital reserve fund representing surplus funds from the 2023-2024 fiscal year. This represents allocations set aside in the current year for curriculum which were not used.

- I. **Athletic Training Services Agreement** – Approve a five-year renewal agreement with Allegheny Health Network to provide athletic training services as well as medical assistance services provided in connection with the school’s athletic program.

- J. **Booster Group Resolution** – Approve the Booster Group Resolution for the 2024-2025 school year.

- K. **Ticket prices** –
 - 1. Approve the athletic ticket prices for the 2024-25 school year with no changes as follows: football reserved seating \$8.00/entry; football pre-sale adult general admission \$6.00/entry; football pre-sale student general admission \$4.00 entry; all football tickets at the gate \$6.00/entry; all other sports adult general admission \$5.00/entry; all other sports student general admission \$3.00/entry.
 - 2. Approve a student or adult annual athletic pass for the 2024-25 school year at a cost of \$50.00 for the year. The pass will allow entry into al Seneca Valley sponsored home athletic events. Pass does not allow for entry to any away or any WPIAL and/or PIAA playoff events.

- L. **Facilities Rental Fees** – Approve the facilities rental fees for the 2024-25 school year with no changes.

- M. **Bid Awards** – Award the professional lawn care contract to Funyak Landscapes, L.P. for district wide lawn care services.

- N. **Final 2024-2025 General Fund Budget** – Approve the final general budget for 2024-2025 in the amount of \$176,200,022 with a proposed millage increase of 5.32 mills (4%).

- 11. **PERSONNEL** – Approve resignations, appointments, contracted services, leaves, tenure, classified and administrative adjustments, agreements, retirement, affiliation agreement and Memorandums of Understanding.

- 12. **LETTERS SENT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD**
 - a. Nicole Boone and Michael Schilchtkrull
 - b. Lauren Setter

- 13. **ADJOURNMENT**